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AUGUST DONATION UPDATE

The Huntington Beach Neighborhood Watch Program (HBNW) **fiscal year** is from July 1 to June 30 each year. We have estimated we will need approximately \$24,300 this year to cover the various HBNW program expenses which include, but are not limited to, newsletter assembly, distribution costs, returned postage, mailing labels, etc. From the start of our fiscal year to now, we have received **\$5,584.00 in donations and newsletter advertisements— we have \$18,716.00 to go by June 30, 2014.** The HBNW Board thanks you and our advertisers for your support and generous donations. An \$8 donation pays for each subscriber's distribution costs; a \$10 donation helps with these costs and other needed expenses and puts your name in the Newsletter as a contributor; and a \$25 or more donation accomplishes the above, plus you will receive a HBNW sticker and a token of appreciation. Remember, HBNW is a non-profit organization; **donations are tax deductible.**

As a resident of the city, we encourage you to review the HBNW program budget and expenses.

We strongly suggest you sign up to receive your Newsletter either **electronically** or through the mail. The Newsletter has valuable crime prevention information and crime statistics. Donations are not necessary to receive the Newsletter, but if you wish to make a donation, please make your check payable to:

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BACK TO SCHOOL SAFETY TIPS FOR THE FAMILY

It's hard to believe that summer is almost finished and the new school session has begun. There is often so much more to do each day in preparing for the next, but it is important to slow down enough to review and remember some of the safety tips that may help to keep you and your family a little safer.

1. Plan ahead and give yourself and your family a little more time to get ready in the morning and to travel to school and work. This helps to make it safer and more enjoyable for everyone.
2. If your child will be taking a bus to school find out exactly where they will be picked up and dropped off. Plan the safest route there and take a practice walk so you can point out places they can go for help when you are not available. Hopefully an adult will walk with your child to the bus stop, but if that is not possible remember the buddy system, see if any other children you know will be taking the bus so they can walk together.
3. If your child is walking to school, again, try to find a walking buddy. Also walk the route with your child and show them the safest route with the least amount of streets to cross. If they must cross a major street try to find one that will have a crossing guard. Remind your child to always use the pre-planned route, point out places and people they can run to for help, and always follow traffic safety rules.
4. Be sure your child knows their full name (first and last), their father's and mother's **full name**, their address, including the city, complete telephone number (with area code), and the name (including city) of the company where their parents work.

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Back to School Safety Tips for the Family

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5. Be sure your child obeys all traffic rules, stays away from bushes, alleys, strangers, and follows your pre-planned route.
6. Teach your child to never speak with strangers. If a stranger asks them to help look for a lost pet, or wants directions, teach your child to: say "NO", run away to a trusted adult, and tell them what happened. When they see their mom or dad they should tell them too.
7. Remind your child no one has the right to touch them in a way that makes them feel uncomfortable, and if someone does, no matter what, they are to tell someone.
8. If your child goes home alone be sure they check in with an adult as soon as they are home and have locked the doors.
9. Establish the rules about never opening the door to strangers and what they are allowed to say when/if they answer the telephone.
10. Be sure to set rules about homework and chores and when they are to be done.
11. Set strict rules about internet use, which websites they are allowed to visit, telephone use, texting, etc. You should always have your child's passwords and discuss the rules often; these may change as the child grows. Be sure to discuss what can or should be done about bullying, or if they find an inappropriate website by mistake.
12. Remind your child not to tell anyone they are home alone; not even their friends, without checking with you first.
13. Learn what the school emergency or disaster plan is and talk about it with your children.
14. Be sure your children know how to dial 9-1-1. Place this number and the HB Police Department non emergency dispatch telephone number (714-960-8825) near the telephone in case of an emergency.
15. Be Aware! Be Alert! And report all suspicious activity to a trusted adult or the police.

HB National Night Out Celebration 2013

HB Neighborhood Watch would like to thank the Huntington Beach Police Department (HBPD) and Target Stores for co-hosting our National Night Out Celebration. Thanks especially to Jennifer French, Huntington Beach Store Executive Team Leader – Asset Protection, and Jorge Sorreno, Store Manager. We would also like to thank the following groups and organizations for their support and dedication to this event: HBPD K-9 unit, Reserve Officer Thompson, HB Fire Department- Bushard Station #3, Brevyn Mettler, HBFD Emergency Services Coordinator, HB R.A.C.E.S, HB CERT, Rainbow Environmental Services, HB Water Conservation, HB Neighborhood Watch Program, HB RSVP's, HB VIPS, Well/Child Abuse Prevention Center, Chase Bank, Beach Dental Group, Party Favors & More, DCW & Associate Investigation, Target Pharmacy, Target Employees, CSP Project Path, C & M Ohana, Make-a-Wish Foundation with Canine Ambassador Doc Barker, Magic Fredy Events, AAA Club (Automobile Club of California), California Department of Fish and Wildlife & Officer Grizzly, Litigation Investigators, Guide Dogs for the Blind, and Officer McGruff.

We estimate there were over 1,200 people in attendance. In addition to the groups mentioned above, visitors enjoyed games (everyone won prizes), hot dogs, drinks, as well as receiving lots of valuable information. We would also like to thank HB Neighborhood Watch Program, Target Stores, Litigation Investigators, and AAA Auto Club for donating raffle prizes.

Thank you to everyone in attendance and to all who helped setup and staff the event!





We Need Your Help! HB Neighborhood Watch Newsletter Assembly



We are looking for a few good people to join us **the 2nd Thursday of each month** in the Huntington Beach City Hall Training Room B (adjacent to the Council Chambers). We need volunteers to assist in assembling and preparing the monthly HB Neighborhood Watch Newsletter for mailing and distribution. We assemble approximately 13,000 newsletters and try to accomplish this within 3 to 4 hours. We begin setting up around 7:30 a.m. and hope to conclude by 11:30 a.m. Join us for good fellowship, coffee, donuts, and fresh fruit. If you need more information please call Nilda Patino de Berndt, HBPD Community Relations Specialist, at 714-536-5933. Or, if you'd like, you can just show up and pitch in!



Children's Car Seat Safety Tips- From Children's Hospital of Orange County



- Always read and follow the directions that came with the car seat.
- Read your car owner's manual. It will describe how your seat belts lock, if you need to use a locking clip to put in your car seat, and if you can use a tether strap to reduce forward head movement in a crash.
- All seats have height and weight limits. Make sure you buy a seat that is appropriate for your child's height, weight, and physical needs.
- If your car seat is over six-years old or has been in a crash, it may not be safe. Buy a new one.
- Put children under the age of 13 in the back seat. It is the safest place for any child to ride.
- Get a tight fit. Car seats should move no more than one inch from side to side or toward the front of the car.
- Children should face the rear of the vehicle until age two or until they reach the maximum height and weight of their seat.
- NEVER put an infant facing the rear of the car in the front seat with an active airbag.



**More
2013
National
Night
Out**



RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES, VEHICLE BURGLARIES, GRAND THEFT AUTO

The police patrol areas are the north and south. The patrol beats are 2-9. Your RD (Reporting District) is the half-mile square surrounding your home.

To locate your Beat and RD, please check the map on the back inside page. In most cases, your BEAT/RD is identified on your address mailing label.

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES

67 reported 07/16/13 – 08/15/13

55 reported 06/16/13 – 07/15/13

Thirty-two of the entries were due to **OPEN OR UNLOCKED** windows or doors. Sixteen of these burglaries were committed during the day; twenty-seven were committed at night, and twenty-four at an unknown time.

There were twenty garage entries.

There was one shed entry.

There were four attempted entries.

VEHICLE BURGLARIES

51 reported 07/16/13 – 08/15/13

43 reported 06/16/13 – 07/15/13

GRAND THEFT AUTO

38 reported 07/16/13 – 08/15/13

44 reported 06/16/13 – 07/15/13

BEAT 2

12 Residential Burglaries

6 Vehicle Burglaries

3 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 452-2 RD 453-2

RD 454-1 RD 457-1

RD 463-2 RD 464-2

RD 473-1 RD 475-1

Streets: Baltimore Ave., Delaware St., Monarch Ln., Butte Cir., Cynthia Dr., Lomond Dr., Beach Blvd., Dorsett Dr., Newland Ave., and Aloha Dr.

In RD 452, Delaware St., it appears the suspect entered the side yard via the alley and gained access to the garage through an unlocked door.

In RD 457, Cynthia Dr., it appears the suspect entered the open garage and removed some U.S. currency from the unlocked vehicle parked inside.

In RD 463, Lomond Dr., Unknown suspect(s) cut the tent on a home being fumigated and forced open a bedroom window to gain entry.

In RD 463, Beach Blvd., suspect is possibly known.

In RD 464, Dorsett Dr., suspect is in custody.

In RD 475, Aloha Dr., it appears that the suspect(s) gained entry into the residence by using the unlocked back garage door.

There were four garage entries.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 452-1 RD 453-1

RD 456-1 RD 462-2

RD 466-1

Grand Theft Auto

RD 452-1 RD 463-1

RD 475-1

BEAT 3

7 Residential Burglaries

11 Vehicle Burglaries

6 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 436-1 RD 437-1

RD 442-2 RD 443-1

RD 444-1 RD 447-1

Streets: Cambridge Ln., Holburn Dr., Nashville Ave., Cape Cottage Ln., Masters Dr., and Niagara Dr.

In RD 437, Holburn Dr. the suspect is described as wearing a straw hat, light colored shirt, bright colored shorts and was barefoot.

In RD 442, Nashville Ave., the suspect is known.

In RD 443, Cape Cottage Ln., it appears suspect(s) entered the unlocked/open garage and removed 2 unsecured bicycles.

In RD 447, Niagara Dr., suspect described as: Asian, male, clean shaven, possibly wearing a dark shirt, blue shorts with yellow and white stripes, straw hat and barefoot.

There were two garage entries

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 423-1 RD 424-2

RD 427-1 RD 436-2

RD 437-2 RD 442-1

RD 445-2

Grand Theft Auto

RD 423-1 RD 424-1

RD 442-4

BEAT 4

14 Residential Burglaries

9 Vehicle Burglaries

9 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 328-1 RD 349-3

RD 359-2 RD 441-3

RD 447-1 RD 451-4

Streets: Royal Fit Cove Dr., 17th St., 16th St., Crest Ave., Pacific Coast Hwy., 14th St., 13th St., Colgate Cir., Lake St., 10th St., and 7th St.

In RD 328, Royal Fit Cove Dr., it appeared an unknown person tried to pry the door open.

In RD 349, 17th St., it appears the unknown suspect(s) walked into an open/unlocked home, steals a guitar and flees in an unknown direction.

In RD 349, 17th St., it appeared an unknown suspect(s) entered the garage through the open door.

In RD 349, 16th St. the suspect is described as male, white, 30 years old, height 6', weight 180 lbs., medium brown hair, and was wearing some type of work shirt and long pants.

In RD 441, Crest Ave., it appears an unknown suspect(s) entered the residence through an unlocked door.

In RD 441, 13th St., it appears the suspect(s) entered the garage through the unlocked rear door. The suspect removed two bicycles then fled in an unknown direction.

In RD 447, Colgate Cir., it appears the point of entry was the unlocked rear (West) facing door.

In RD 451, 10th St., it appears the point of entry was the open side garage door and point of exit the sliding doors.

There were five garage entries.

There were two attempted entries.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 329-1 RD 337-1

RD 348-2 RD 359-1

RD 451-4

Grand Theft Auto

RD 441-4 RD 451-3

RD 461-2

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES, VEHICLE BURGLARIES, GRAND THEFT AUTO**BEAT 5**

9 Residential Burglaries
4 Vehicle Burglaries
3 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 421-1 RD 422-4
RD 432-2 RD 451-2

Streets: Jordyn Ct., Pompano Ln., Sunray Ln., Owen Dr., Rochester Ave., 6th St., and Delaware St.

In RD 421, Jordyn Ct., it appeared the suspect(s) pushed the garage window and slid it open to defeat the lock.

In RD 422, Pompano Ln., it appears the suspect(s) entered the open garage, removed property and fled in an unknown direction.

In RD 451, 6th St., it appears that an unknown suspect(s) accessed the keys to the residence by damaging the realtor lock box. The suspect(s) used the keys to enter the residence and stole two televisions.

There were four garage entries.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 293-1 RD 411-1
RD 413-1 RD 422-1

Grand Theft Auto

RD 319-1 RD 412-1
RD 413-1

BEAT 6

2 Residential Burglaries
2 Vehicle Burglaries
1 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 272-1 RD 283-1

Streets: Cypress Dr. and El Arroyo Dr.

In RD 272, Cypress Dr., it appeared that an unknown suspect(s) entered through an unlocked kitchen sliding door.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 272-1 RD 273-1

Grand Theft Auto

RD 272-1

BEAT 7

9 Residential Burglaries
8 Vehicle Burglaries
8 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 159-2 RD 168-2
RD 189-1 RD 252-1
RD 261-2 RD 262-1

Streets: Redlands Ln., Bridgewater Dr., Shields Dr., Warner Ave., Carranza Ln., Glencoe Dr., La Mancha Cir., Gothard St., and Viewpoint Ln.

In RD 159, Redlands Ln., it appears that an unknown suspect(s) entered the residence through an open garage, took the victims bicycle, and fled.

In RD 159, Bridgewater Dr., unknown suspects cut open the fumigation tent and entered through the kitchen window.

In RD 168, Shields Dr., it appears that the suspect(s) cut open the fumigation tent and kicked in a window giving them access to the interior of the house.

In RD 168, Warner Ave., suspect is in custody.

In RD 189, Carranza Ln., victims believe the suspects did not gain entry because of their dogs barking inside the residence.

In RD 261, La Mancha Cir., it appears an unknown suspect(s) cut a padlock off the garage door.

There were two garage entries.

There was one attempted entry.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 158-1 RD 159-1
RD 179-1 RD 189-1
RD 252-1 RD 253-1
RD 261-1 RD 262-1

Grand Theft Auto

RD 158-1 RD 168-1
RD 252-4 RD 261-1
RD 262-1

BEAT 8

9 Residential Burglaries
2 Vehicle Burglaries
4 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 157-1 RD 166-1
RD 167-1 RD 171-2
RD 176-2 RD 187-2

Streets: Middlecoff Dr., Roosevelt Ln., Meadowbrook Dr., S. Pacific Ave., El Dorado Dr., Warner Ave., and Pacific Coast Hwy.

In RD 157, Middlecoff Dr., it appears suspect(s) entered the home by breaking the rear sliding glass door.

In RD 166, Roosevelt Ln., it appears the suspect(s) suspects cut open the fumigation tent but did not enter the home.

In RD 167, Meadowbrook Dr., it appears an unknown suspect stole jewelry as an open house was being conducted.

In RD 176, Warner Ave., suspects possibly used a key.

There were three garage entries.

There was one storage shed entry.

There was one attempted entry.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 153-1 RD 171-1

Grand Theft Auto

RD 151-1 RD 171-2
RD 176-1

BEAT 9

5 Residential Burglaries
9 Vehicle Burglaries
4 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 128-2 RD 138-1
RD 232-2

Streets: Sherman Dr., Larchwood Dr., Atlas Dr., Cascade Ln., Rushmoor Ln., and McFadden Ave.

In RD 128, Sherman Dr., it appears suspects entered the house via the front master bedroom window that had been left slightly open.

In RD 138, Atlas Dr., suspect is possibly known.

In RD 232, McFadden Ave., suspects cut the lock to the victim's storage unit.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 128-1 RD 136-1
RD 139-1 RD 147-1
RD 148-1 RD 241-1
RD 242-3

Grand Theft Auto

RD 116-1 RD 136-1
RD 138-1 RD 146-1

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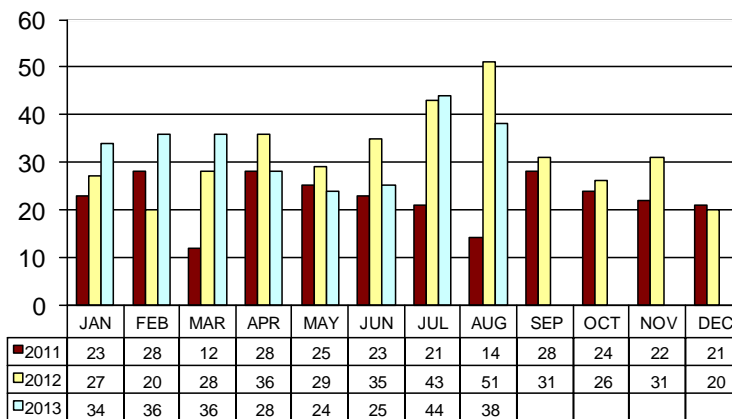
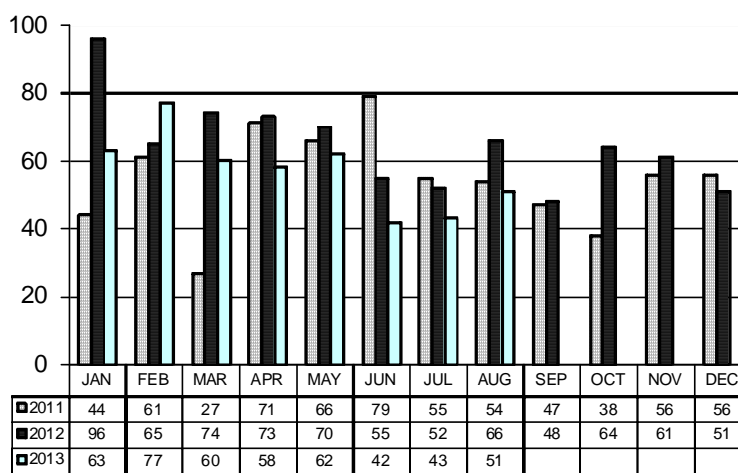
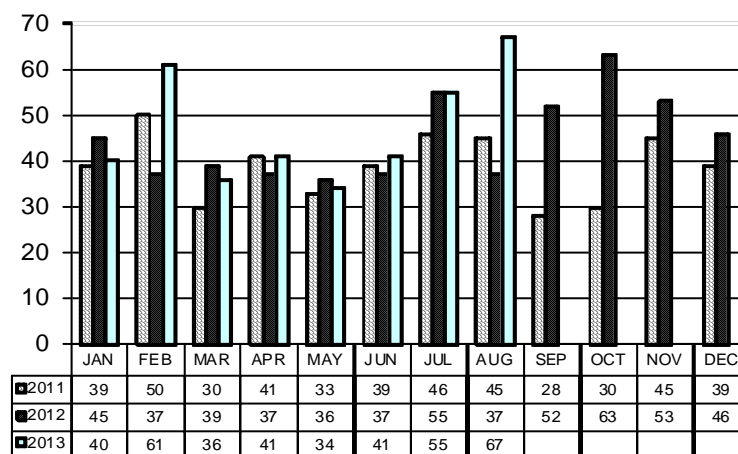
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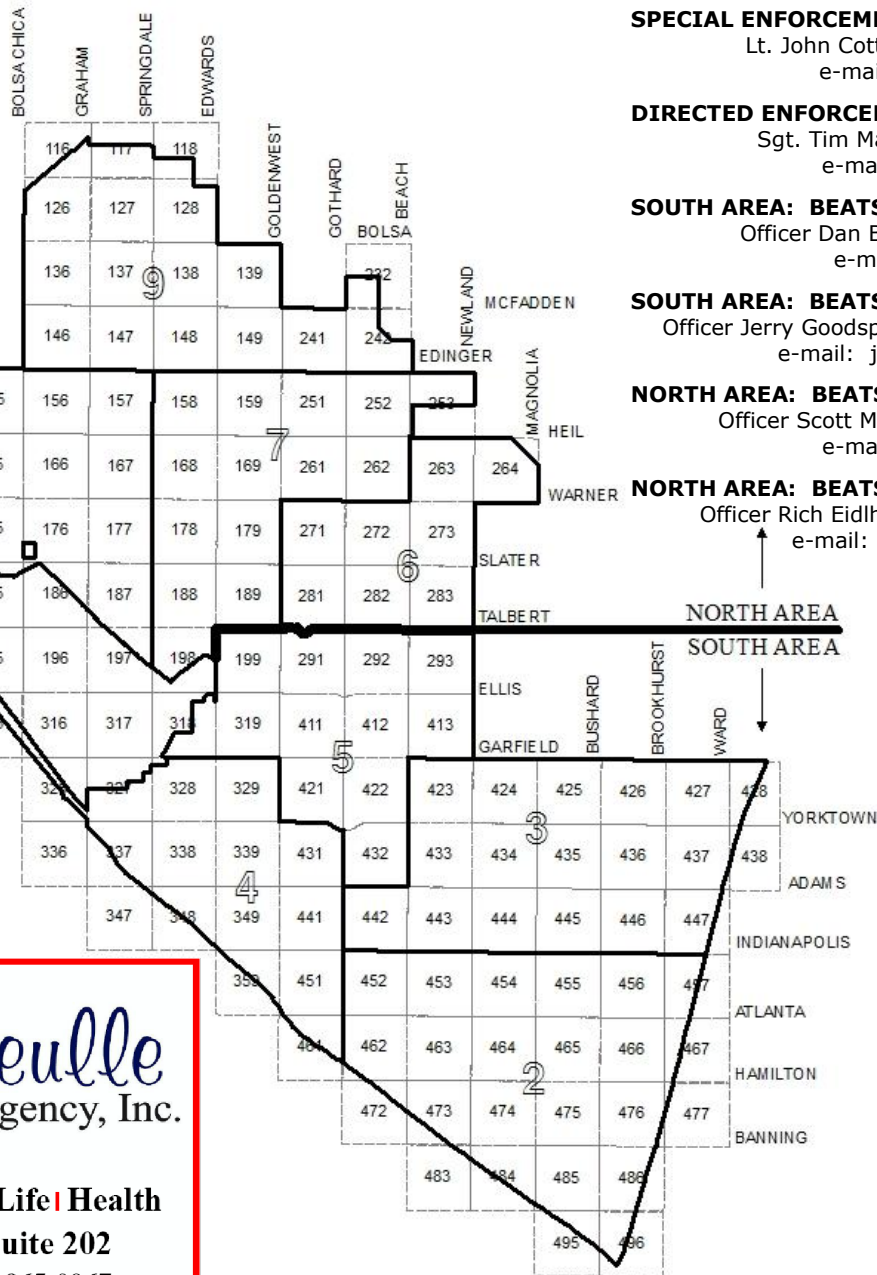
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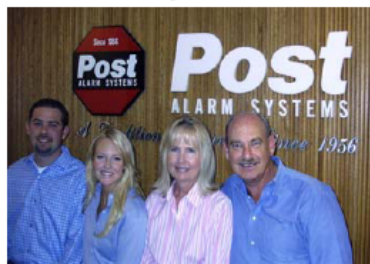
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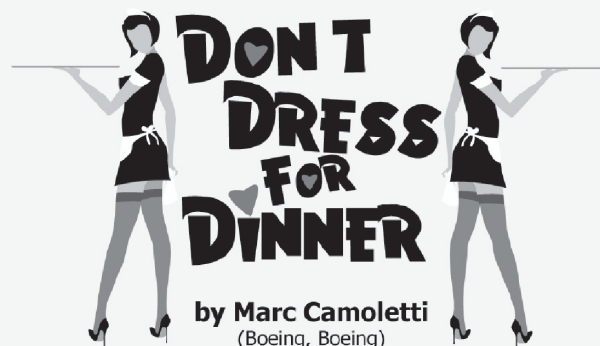
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